



## Maryland Commission on Climate Change Scientific and Technical Working Group Meeting

January 31, 2018

Chancellor's Conference Room, University System of Maryland Office, Adelphi  
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### Agenda

- 10:00 am Introductions and status of Commission activities: Don Boesch  
[2017 MCCC Annual Report](#)  
[Summary of September 13, 2017 meeting](#)
- 10:15 am Introduction of the new STWG Chair, [Dr. Peter Goodwin](#)
- 10:20 am Review of STWG Priorities for 2018 (Attachment 1)
- 10:30 am Expert group for quantifying and reducing net GHG emissions from forests, wetlands and agriculture [Davidson September presentation](#)
- 10:55 am Expert group for assessment of emissions from and climate change impacts on Maryland agriculture
- 10:20 am Status of federal science and technology programs
- 11:30 am Planning and scheduling STWG activities for 2018
- 11:50 am Public comments
- 12:00 pm Adjourn

**Attachment 1**  
**STWG Priorities for 2018**  
**Based on MCCC 2017 Annual Report**

Going forward into 2018 the Commission's Scientific and Technical Working Group plans take on the following tasks:

1. Assemble an expert group to identify critical uncertainties in and methods to improve the estimation of greenhouse emissions from forests, agriculture, wetlands and waterways.
2. Assemble an expert group to provide an assessment of emissions from and climate change impacts on Maryland agriculture as called for in the Maryland Commission on Climate Change Act [Maryland Environment Code Ann. §2-1303(d)].
3. Begin to explore energy alternatives to achieve emissions reductions beyond 2030 that carbon neutrality.
4. Work with the Mitigation Working Group and the Departments of the Environment, Agriculture and Natural Resources to improve the projection, tracking and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions and sinks, including sequestration alternatives.